
William J. Deligne



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William J. Deligne, a member of the Senior Executive Service (SES), is currently the Executive Director for the Program Executive Officer, Aircraft Carriers (PEO Carriers). In this position, Mr. Deligne is the Senior Civilian Official responsible for the daily operations of PEO Carriers including military and civilian human resources management programs; all research, technology development, acquisition, design, construction and life-cycle support programs totaling over \$30 billion, for the aircraft carriers of the United States Navy. His duties also include leading and directing long term strategic planning efforts required to maintain U.S. Navy Aircraft Carrier Force Structure requirements.

Mr. Deligne entered the Senior Executive Service in July 2007. He has a total of 20 years Civilian Service. From February 2003 to July 2007, Mr. Deligne was the Deputy Program Manager for Future Carrier Programs serving as the senior government civilian accountable for management of the Future Aircraft Carrier Program (CVN 21), a major ACAT 1D acquisition program valued at over \$280 billion in research, development, and procurement over the next 50 years. In this role he provided long term strategic planning for a critical national asset, translating DOD and Navy requirements into affordable and executable programs through a disciplined systems engineering process. From March 1999 until February 2003, Mr. Deligne was the Assistant Program Manager for NIMITZ Class New Construction. In this role he served as the Senior Project Manager for the \$5 billion CVN 77 Aircraft Carrier Program where he developed the prototype contracting strategy that facilitated concurrent detail design and construction of the ship and the development and procurement of the integrated warfare system. He also served as a vital member of the Government negotiation team that led to the on-time, within budget award of a \$3.8B contract for the development, detail design, and construction of the ship. From September 1993 until March 1999, Mr. Deligne served as the Deputy Assistant Program Manager (DAPM) for the acquisition of the \$6.5 Billion Carrier program covering procurement of two carriers (CVN 74/75) under a single contract and the \$4 Billion Carrier Program CVN 76. He successfully managed to its completion the construction and delivery of the CVN 74 and CVN 75 Aircraft Carriers within budget and on schedule and personally led efforts to bring new air blown fiber optic technology and ship wide tactical and non-tactical computer networks to the ship. He also led the planning, management, and execution of the post shakedown availability, a \$60 Million effort involving Naval Fleet organizations, the shipbuilder, equipment providers, and numerous other government organizations coordinated into an integrated work package that resulted in the re-delivery of the CVN 75 to the fleet on time and within budget. From November 1989 until September 1993 Mr. Deligne served as a Naval Architect within the NAVSEA Engineering Directorate responsible for overall general arrangements of aircraft

carriers and large deck amphibious assault ships and the design of all habitability, medical, dental, administrative, and storeroom facilities. From December 1987 until November 1989, Mr. Deligne worked as a NAVSEA Engineer-in-Training. Rotational assignments included weapons support, ship survivability, hydrodynamics, structures, weights and stability, specifications and standards, preliminary design, ship arrangements and habitability, and the aircraft carrier program office. He conducted six months of field training at Norfolk Naval Shipyard.

Mr. Deligne received a bachelor's of science degree in engineering from West Virginia University in 1985 and in 1995 a master's of science in systems engineering from Virginia Tech specializing in aerospace and ocean engineering. Major awards include the Meritorious Civilian Service Award in 1998 for CVN 75 Delivery, the Superior Civilian Service Award in 2001 for CVN 77 Contract Award and a second Superior Civilian Service Award in 2004 for CVN 21 Milestone B Approval. Mr. Deligne is a member of the Acquisition Professional Community and received a level III DAWIA certification in Program Management in 1995. Mr. Deligne is also a graduate of the Executive Program Manager's Course at the Defense Acquisition University in 2004 and the Navy Executive Business Course at the Kenan-Flagler Business School in 2008.